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THE TRUSTEES OF RESERVATIONS
Conserving the Massachusetts Landscape Since 1891



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about the trustees

WHO WE ARE

The Trustees of Reservations has been conserving the Massachusetts landscape since 1891, making us the oldest statewide land conservation and historic preservation organization in the country. Our mission is to preserve landscapes of exceptional scenic, historic, and ecological value in Massachusetts for public use and enjoyment. We are a member-supported, nonprofit, tax-exempt, charitable organization.

WHAT WE PROTECT

The Trustees of Reservations owns and manages ninety* reservations throughout the state, from the Berkshire Hills to the tip of Nantucket Island. These reservations offer more than 270 miles of trails and a variety of passive recreational opportunities, educational programs, interpretive publications, and special events. Historic houses on several reservations can be rented for private functions, and two offer overnight B&B accommodation.

HOW WE ARE SUPPORTED

The Trustees of Reservations is supported entirely by membership dues, annual contributions, admission fees, special events receipts, grants, and endowments. Hundreds of volunteers and more than 28,000* members live in Massachusetts, other parts of New England and the United States, and several countries abroad.

To learn more about the work of The Trustees of Reservations, call 978/921-1944 or visit www.thetrustees.org.

* As of July 2001

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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

One of the roles of this annual report is to provide an overview of the organization's accomplishments during the past year that your support made possible. However, it is first and foremost an expression of thanks and accounting to you, our members and supporters.

I am very proud to report that 2001 was an exceptional year for The Trustees. Our achievements ranged from protecting more than 4,500 acres of land to preserving our cultural and natural resources through the many projects that were launched or completed. During the year, stimulating programs and activities introduced our work to thousands of new supporters from across Massachusetts.

Four themes emerge as the keys to our success: forming partnerships to accelerate conservation; providing expanded education and training; exemplary stewardship; and enlisting the support of volunteers to help carry out our mission.

The exciting partnerships we launched this past year allowed us to achieve landscape protection at a large scale (the Southeastern Massachusetts Bioreserve) while sharing our stewardship knowledge and expertise at a small, but important, scale (community gardens in Boston). While the scope of these two projects varied, both helped The Trustees provide land conservation and stewardship to people in Boston, Fall River, and New Bedford.

Building partnerships in urban areas underscored the need to reach out to people through education and training. The land conservation challenges in Massachusetts require us to inspire more people to join the cause—we just can't protect land fast enough by ourselves. Thus, we expanded our education and training for people and other conservation organizations. One of our most far-ranging initiatives was the commitment to construct the Doyle Conservation Center, a training and resource center in Leominster for land conservation groups throughout Massachusetts and beyond.

While the future holds increased outreach and new partnerships, our management of the properties entrusted to us is guided by a dedication to exemplary stewardship. Examples range from the completion of the major phases of the reconstruction work at the Casino wall at Castle Hill to the use of grazing sheep as a viable land management tool. Maintaining the precarious balance between appropriate public access and use and the protection of cultural and natural resources is crucial to exemplary stewardship, as demonstrated in our recently updated management plan for Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge on Nantucket.

Volunteers continue to be a source of strength. This past year, a major effort was launched to engage our Corporate Trustees through a series of regional forums where participants shared ideas for improving our effectiveness. Their good ideas will guide our future efforts.

My first year at The Trustees surpassed my greatest expectations. I have been continually energized by the hard work and expertise of staff, the dedication of volunteers and supporters, and the excitement expressed by our members and visitors. Clearly, your level of support indicates that you are noticing the great strides we are making in our three-fold commitment to conservation, stewardship, and people.

Thank you for helping to make this an extraordinary year. With your help, we will continue to keep pace with the challenges ahead! As always, I welcome your thoughts and perspectives on our work (978/524-1854 or akendall@ttor.org).



Executive Director
Andy Kendall

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Andrew W. Kendall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Andrew" being more prominent than the last name "Kendall".

Andrew W. Kendall, *Executive Director*

stewardship



Opening day celebrations at Dexter Drumlin in Lancaster.

DEXTER DRUMLIN, LANCASTER

The Trustees opened its 14th property in the Central Region, on a glorious fall evening in September. Newly appointed Executive Director Andy Kendall welcomed more than 75 neighbors and guests to Dexter Drumlin. The property was the generous gift of Nathaniel Dexter, a beloved supporter of The Trustees and an active member of the local community. Superintendent Tim Silva and staff prepared for the opening by establishing a mowed trail through the 38-acre hayfield, erecting our standard entrance sign at the gateway to the property, and clearing trees and brush from the roadside frontage.

"Came here for a hike with my one-year-old son.

My first time at the vista. We need more places like this!"

PIERCE PARK AT THE DOYLE RESERVATION, LEOMINSTER

Two years of extensive landscape restoration efforts have readied the ten-acre Pierce Park parcel at the Doyle Reservation for its opening as a neighborhood park. The former core of Harry W. Pierce's turn-of-the-twentieth-century estate will offer local residents a leisurely chance to enjoy nature and a bit of solitude. Opportunities to learn about the cultural and natural history of the park will be offered during occa-

sional tours. Other than the Central Regional Office, Pierce Park is the only part of the Doyle Reservation that is currently open to the public.

THE OLD MANSE, CONCORD

The effort continues for the Old Manse in Concord to receive all the necessary permits for constructing the boathouse on the banks of the Concord River. In addition to the boathouse and dock construction, a section of the riverbank will be planted with native plant material and its ecological function restored. Stringent conditions and restrictions for the construction process, imposed by various permitting agencies and organizations, added significantly to the cost of this project. Work will begin in the summer of fiscal year 2002 and will take a few months to complete. This project is funded by Stratford Foundation. Volunteer Laura Quebral researched the Old Manse's perennial garden and created a design plan for the garden that was implemented in May. The gardens and grounds were also the focus of William Petersen's watercolor of the



Watercolor painting of the Old Manse by William Petersen.

Old Manse. Sales of the prints raised over \$1,000 to benefit the Living History Program at the Old Manse.

TULLY LAKE CAMPGROUND, ROYALSTON

The Tully Lake Campground, which is owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE), continues to expand its business as it enters the third season of management under The Trustees. ACE is anxious for The Trustees to commit to a multi-year lease of the campground and has

FROM THE ROLY POLY RESERVATION WE FOR BOOK

been generally very supportive of our operation. Meanwhile, efforts continued to secure a route for the final portion of the Tully Trail, which will cover 20 miles of woodland in the North Quabbin Region and connect such properties as Royalston Falls, Doane's Falls, and Jacobs Hill with Tully Mountain. Despite the efforts of Land Protection Specialist Chris Rodstrom and Regional Director Dick O'Brien to secure trail easements on private property, the final few miles of trail may have to be located on secondary roads.

DOYLE RESERVATION, LEOMINSTER

Dick O'Brien began meeting with contractors to schedule work for Phase I of the Doyle Conservation Center project at the Doyle Reservation. The renovation of one of Miss Doyle's houses will provide temporary office space for eleven Trustees Headquarters' staff, including the Planning and Ecology Department, some members of the Land Conservation Center, and the new Director of Volunteers and new Director of Interpretation and Education. It is hoped that these new offices will be ready and occupied by fall of 2001. In the meantime, planning continues on development of Phase II of the Doyle Conservation Center, which will include construction of a new, 15,000-square-foot 'green' facility.

After a busy summer season of keeping abreast of maintenance issues, Superintendent Tim Silva and his staff took full advantage of our wonderful shop facilities and spent the winter building standardized visitor bulletin boards and brochure racks for our properties across the state. Thirteen of these bulletin boards were placed throughout the Central Region during the fiscal year, thus ensuring that visitor experiences will be of the highest quality from the very start. ■



Activity in the Islands Region peaks during the busy summer months, when our properties play host to more than 100,000 visitors. To handle this influx of seasonal visitors and balance conservation with a high quality visitor experience, our nine-person full-time staff increases by more than 40 seasonal rangers, ecologists, and natural history interpreters. This summer, hard work and innovation overcame unfavorable weather, while intensive planning during the off-season laid the way for positive changes in the coming years. But despite our many successes, piping plover and least tern productivity was generally poor, although we established nesting protection early in the nesting season.

An Islands ecologist protects nesting shorebirds.

CHAPPAQUIDDICK MANAGEMENT UNIT

Like much of the region, Martha's Vineyard experienced a wetter than usual summer. Nevertheless, Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge, Wasque, and Mytoi saw strong visitation. Prior to this year, a rainy summer might have proven disastrous for revenues. But through the wise planning of such staff as Superintendent David Belcher, a series of new revenue sources has helped to shift the need to rely solely upon the sale of over-sand-vehicle (OSV) permits and gate receipts to more "weather-resistant" activities such as educational tours on foot, in canoes and kayaks, and in safari-style OSV tour trucks, all of which have proven to be successful.



Tully Lake Campground.

UP-ISLAND MANAGEMENT UNIT

At Menemsha Hills, Superintendent Chris Egan and his summer staff continued to repair washed-out trails, while *Conservation Works!* volunteers provided some much-needed help with the construction of water bars and trail clearing. Volunteer Jay Siegler, a former college professor, led natural history tours up and down the moss-lined trails, telling visitors about the early settlers and industrialists who settled this part of Martha's Vineyard.



School children
from Martha's
Vineyard looking
over Menemsha Hills

NANTUCKET MANAGEMENT UNIT

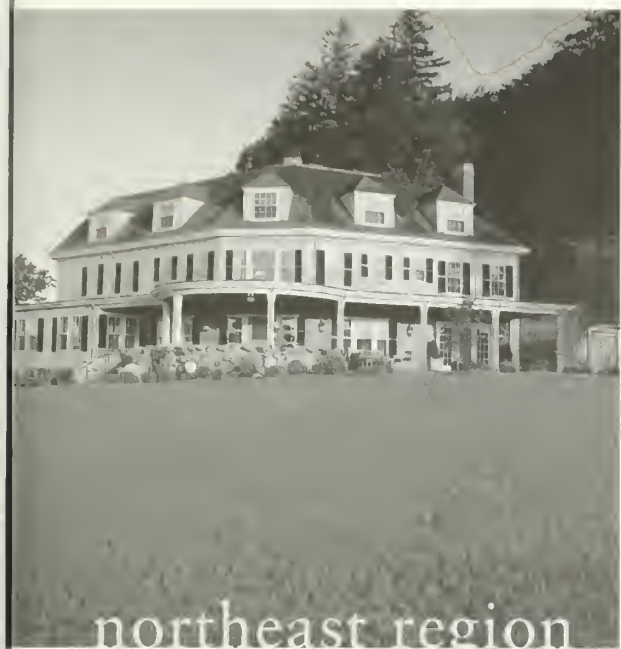
At Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) announced its intention to divest itself of the Nantucket National Wildlife Refuge at Great Point, having determined that the traditional use of their property (allowing OSVs to access the tip of Great Point for fishing) was inconsistent with their standards. Thus, the USFWS felt it would be in their best interest to transfer their 18-acre holding to The Trustees or the Town of Nantucket for a comparable piece of land elsewhere on the island. The USFWS has since indicated its preference for a land swap involving the Town's holding of one-half of Muskeget Island (a remote 240-acre island off Nantucket) for use as a bird sanctuary. Considering the historical importance of Great Point as a highly productive nesting area for piping plovers and terns, we view the Town's stated interest in increasing recreational use of the Point with a great degree of concern. By fiscal year's end, The Trustees had met with

the USFWS on numerous occasions but no agreement had been reached as to the final nature of the proposed land swap.

While the future of the Nantucket National Wildlife Refuge was under debate, a new management plan for Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge was developed by Regional Director Chris Kennedy and Regional Ecologist Lloyd Raleigh. The plan's objective is to increase both the protection of rare nesting shorebirds and visitor interpretation of the Refuge. Under the plan, dogs must be leashed from April 1 to September 15 and are not allowed in designated shorebird areas. To better manage nesting shorebird habitat, approximately seven miles of roads, many redundant, will be permanently closed, and an additional 3,500 feet will be closed seasonally. In beach areas where roads have been closed, alternate routes for OSVs will be provided, usually within sight of the closed beachfront roads, to allow access to all sections of the Refuge. To minimize the effect of the management plan on fishermen and other property users, pedestrian access along the shoreline has been preserved in all areas. Refuge Manager Dick Bellevue will double his staff of rangers and extend patrol times to implement the new regulations. To enhance our visitor interpretation, Regional Environmental Education and Interpretation Naturalist Suzan Bellincampi has bolstered the Great Point Natural History Program with a daily tour of the Refuge that includes a visit to the top of Great Point Lighthouse. ■



Great Point Lighthouse



IPSWICH/NEWBURY MANAGEMENT UNIT

The Castle Hill Private Events and Public Programs Department, led by JoAnn Beck, had another extraordinary year. Besides managing the Designer Showhouse at the Inn at Castle Hill, the department hosted the sixth annual Castle Hill Concours d'Elegance (featuring hundreds of classic automobiles) as well as the annual Christmas events, Great House Teas, Thursday Evening Concerts, and house tours. More than 4,000 people attended the Independence Day Celebration.

"The group was enthralled with Castle Hill,

and I know many will be returning for a longer visit."

FROM A LETTER TO EVENT MANAGER JENNIFER KYLE

The Inn at Castle Hill (*pictured above*) opened to rave reviews thanks to the fine work of Innkeeper George Shattuck III and his staff. Positive reviews in magazines such as *Coastal Living*, *Departures*, *Victoria*, and *The Discerning Traveler*, as well as a *Chronicle* TV segment on Ipswich that featured the Inn at Castle Hill and Appleton Farms, helped the Inn get off to a great start.

The process to update the Crane Wildlife Refuge Management Plan began. Originally written in 1987, the new plan will address a number of pressing issues such as the proper management

of the Choate Island forest and the appropriate nature and level of visitation to the Refuge.

Existing management programs met with mixed results. The Deer Management Program at Castle Hill and Crane Beach received permission from the Ipswich Selectman to continue for another 15 years. However, the highly successful Shorebird Management Program at Crane Beach was hampered by predation and nest abandonment (caused by a freak June nor'easter that over-washed every nest). Only 12 plovers were fledged this season, compared to 89 the year before. An experimental intensive sheep grazing project at the Crane Wildlife Refuge, Castle Hill, and Appleton Farms during the fall showed great promise in removing such aggressive exotic invasive species as bittersweet, but funding the project in the future will be a challenge.

The Trustees and the Old Town Hill Committee monitored a potentially serious environmental threat to Old Town Hill stemming from the nearby Town of Newbury landfill, which contains hazardous waste materials and has been operated improperly, according to the state. In order to provide baseline data and determine the extent of any contamination on our property, we initiated a comprehensive sampling program on the Old Town Hill salt marsh adjacent to the landfill.

Historic preservation continued on a number of fronts. Jim Younger, Regional Buildings and

Structures Manager, and members of the Crane Building and Grounds Subcommittee completed the major phases of the Casino wall reconstruction project at Castle Hill. At the Paine House at Greenwood Farm, Regional Historic Resources Manager Susan Hill Dolan oversaw collection conservation and produced, with Director of Historic Resources Susan Edwards, an interpretive and furnishing plan as well as an archaeology exhibit that included the partial recreation of the house's colonial dairy. At Castle Hill, staff and the Collections Subcommittee conducted research to restore period rooms and assisted the

Art Institute of Chicago and author Stephen Salny in their respective research on famed Great House architect David Adler.

APPLETON FARMS MANAGEMENT UNIT

Under the direction of Regional Director Wayne Mitton and Acting General Manager Wayne Castonguay, Trustees staff and the Appleton Farms Committee began implementing the Appleton Farms Management Plan. The



Sheep herding demonstration at Appleton Farms in Ipswich during the Fall Field Trip.

Timothy House and Dairy Barn were renovated, the Old House was stabilized, and a number of buildings were reshingled. The addition of several new walking trails enhanced the visitor experience, and a second parking area on the Route 1A side of the farm was installed. Thousands of bales of hay were harvested, preliminary plans were made for a community-supported agriculture program, and more than 1,000 sheep over-wintered on the farm. The second annual Appleton Farms Family Fun Day drew approximately 3,000 people to this unique property.

ANDOVER/NORTH ANDOVER MANAGEMENT UNIT

Superintendent Bob Murray oversaw a number of projects at the Stevens-Coolidge Place in North Andover, ranging from the replacement of the old asphalt shingle roof on the Main House to exterior painting. Plans to rehabilitate the French Garden were finalized and fundraising for the project began. The Serpentine Wall was repaired, while the Rose Garden fountain was also restored to working order. The annual plant sale was once again very popular.

BEVERLY MANAGEMENT UNIT

At Long Hill, Superintendent Lillabeth Wies conducted an Invasive Exotic Removal Project to remove non-native plants such as bittersweet and Norway maple and replace them with native plants. Interpretive material explained this nationally significant ecological problem to visitors. The annual plant sale continues to be successful.

CAPE ANN MANAGEMENT UNIT

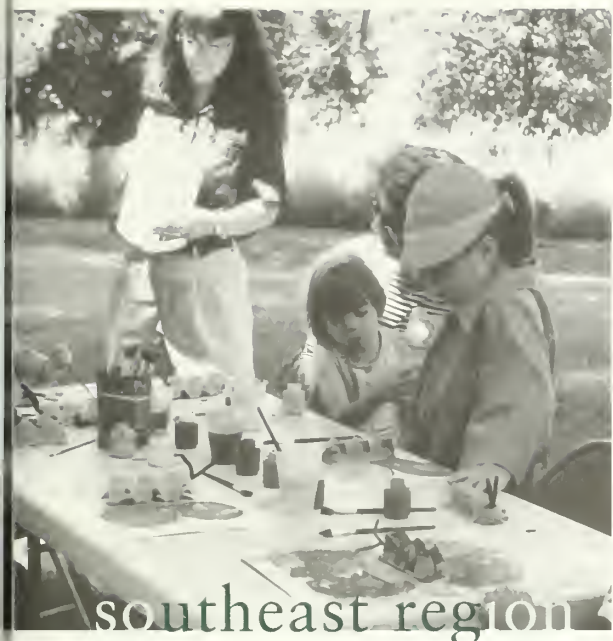
The eight properties in the Cape Ann Management Unit and the Manchester/Essex Management Unit were combined to create a single unit under the management of Superintendent Jim Groleau. Thanks to a very generous donation, Carol Johnson Associates was hired to create a planting plan and oversee the plantings of additional specimen trees on the Ocean Lawn at the Coolidge Reservation. An assessment of vernal pools at Ravenswood Park and Agassiz Rock revealed that both properties support an abundance of this unique habitat where amphibians breed.

VOLUNTEERISM

Hundreds of volunteer hours were provided throughout the Northeast Region by such organizations as AmeriCorps, Boston Cares, Landmark Volunteers, REI, the Waring, Brookwood, and Pingree Schools, as well as individuals who participated in *Conservation Works!* and various property workdays. ■



Repairing the Timothy House at Appleton Farms.



SOUTH SHORE AND CAPE COD MANAGEMENT UNIT

The hiring of Michelle LoConte as the South Shore's Visitor Services Coordinator was evidence of The Trustees' new commitment to providing expanded educational programming on its properties. In addition to leading numerous interpretive walks, Michelle also established a number of educational programs for children (*pictured above*). Over the summer, a program was held at World's End entitled "Young Ecologists," and another at Weir River Farm entitled "Farm Hands." These one-week-long camps taught

At World's End, a committee of volunteers chaired by Nick Noon embarked on a process to update the property's management plan, which was initially adopted in the early 1970s. Working with Director of Planning and Ecology Lisa Vernegaard and Natural Resources Planner Russ Hopping, the committee developed guiding principles for managing the property, which will help field staff make decisions on matters ranging from the care of grasslands to the types of activities that should be allowed on the site. In order to gather input from our members and users, the committee sponsored a number of walks on the property and convened two public forums.

THE ELEANOR CABOT BRADLEY ESTATE

With the opening of the main house as a function center, the beautifully restored Eleanor Cabot Bradley Estate has come to life with elegant weddings, family reunions, anniversary parties, and holiday gatherings. Event Manager Pat Burkholder has worked wonders in promoting the function center and was successful in booking all but one date in our first full season. The facility has also become a popular spot for meetings and conferences, many held by various departments within our organization. Under the direction of Superintendent Dennis Camp, exterior lighting was added, the bride's room bathroom was renovated, and many improvements to the landscape were made.

"Please tell Al Yalenezian how much we and our boys enjoyed our visit and, especially, how appreciative we are of his gracious reception."

FROM A LETTER TO REGIONAL DIRECTOR TOM FORTIN

youngsters to be aware of the importance of land conservation. In addition to these extensive programs, the "Mom and Me" program on Mondays gave parents the opportunity to join their children as they learned how to value nature through such topics as "Pond Explorations." The objective of these programs is to increase visitor enjoyment while instilling a sense of stewardship for our properties. Working with Superintendent Al Yalenezian, Michelle hopes to expand these efforts in the coming year to better meet the overwhelming demand. The programs were made possible by a bequest by Dorothy Abbe.

CHARLES RIVER VALLEY MANAGEMENT UNIT

The restoration of the landscape around Chickering Pond at Rocky Woods moved into high gear this summer. Under the guidance of Superintendent Jeff Montgomery and Project Supervisor Becky Siebens, old buildings that once supported four-season recreational programs (including outdoor skating on Chickering Pond) and a deteriorated parking lot adjacent to the pond were replaced with wildflower meadows and additional picnic sites. New parking facilities have been constructed along the entrance road, away from the more scenic area around Chickering

Pond. All these changes are being carried out in accordance with the property's management plan in an effort to improve the quality of the visitor experience. To keep the work site safe and to address a growing concern about unleashed and uncontrolled dogs, a moratorium on dog walking was decided upon. Staff members will work with a group of representative users—including dog walkers—to evaluate whether the property should reopen for dog walking and under what conditions. A recommendation is expected in the fall of 2002.

COMMUNITY GARDEN INITIATIVE

In February, Regional Director Tom Foster helped The Trustees enter into a partnership with the Boston Natural Areas Fund (BNAF), a conservation organization that owns and oversees the management of 39 community gardens

in urban areas of Boston. As part of a two-year pilot program, The Trustees will provide landscaping services to help BNAF tackle a long list of deferred maintenance needs at 15 to 25 community gardens in Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, and Roxbury. The program will allow The Trustees to expand our services to the many hundreds of urban gardeners who depend on the gardens for fresh produce, recreation, and community activity. As part of the program,

Joe Ciarametaro joined our staff in the full-time position of Community Gardens Supervisor. With his assistant, Tereck Jamison, Joe began pruning trees, mowing lawns, and refurbishing the gardens. Throughout the upcoming year, Tom and BNAF President Valerie Burns will work to raise awareness of the program, which was made possible, in part, by a generous donation from an anonymous donor. ■



Savin-Maywood
Community
Garden, Savin
Street, Roxbury.



The Western Region continues to rely on the volunteer advice, leadership, and dedication provided by its property committees and Regional Advisory Council. The Bryant Homestead Craft Festival (*pictured above*), the Naumkeag Garden Party, and the Berkshire Business Support Program (an annual campaign to solicit donations from the business community) continue to generate more than \$85,000 in revenue and engage many additional volunteers in the work of The Trustees. More than 15,000 visitors were introduced to The Trustees at Naumkeag, the Mission House, the Colonel John Ashley House, and the William Cullen Bryant Homestead. Regional Director Steve McMahon worked closely with Land Protection Specialist Charlie Wyman on several land conservation projects this year, adding additional hiking opportunities and expansive summit views to the region while protecting significant wildlife species and important habitats. Finally, October's *Conservation Works!* volunteer work day gave more than 100 volunteers a chance to lend a helping hand to the region.

STOCKBRIDGE MANAGEMENT UNIT

The annual spring volunteer workday at Bartholomew's Cobble in Sheffield resulted in old outbuildings being removed, trails cleared, and bridges rebuilt. Regional Ecologist Don Reid led many well-attended canoe tours on the Housatonic River and continued habitat monitoring studies at Bartholomew's Cobble and Ashintully Gardens. Sarah Robotham joined the staff as the Bartholomew's Cobble Interpretive Naturalist and was successful in securing grants

to restore the Bailey building for summer natural history programs. Local residents and members from as far away as Concord came to improve vistas along Hop Brook at Tyringham Cobble during *Conservation Works!* With the assistance and leadership of key donors in New Marlborough, Dry Hill became the 89th property of The Trustees (see page 36).

At Naumkeag, Historic Site Administrator Lisa Anderson and Superintendent Gordon Clark coordinated Farm Day, a fun family event focusing on the restored barn and history of agriculture at Naumkeag. The two also organized a Garden Ornament Show, where exhibitors displayed pottery, sculpture, and lawn ornaments set decoratively within Naumkeag's garden landscape. Historic restoration projects at Naumkeag included the accurate replacement of the ceramic roof tiles on the Chinese Temple and the restoration of over 90 windows. Gordon's staff also replaced the double hemlock hedge at Naumkeag and completed interior and exterior painting at the Colonel John Ashley House.

WINDSOR MANAGEMENT UNIT

At the William Cullen Bryant Homestead, a new visitor center with large interpretive displays and a small gift shop awaited visitors. Additional interpretive programs, including an Antiques Appraisal Day, were initiated by Historic Site Administrator Ellice Gonzalez to promote this National Historic Landmark, while Superintendent Jim Caffrey supervised the installation of a new visitor parking area and a new wood shingle roof on the red barn. Despite continuous rains and soggy fields, the annual Bryant Homestead Craft Festival attracted more than 2,000 visitors each day and built interest in the site's programs.

More than 60 members turned out at Notchview during *Conservation Works!* to clear and improve ski trails. Superintendent Jim Caffrey worked with the Forest Stewardship Program to develop a project that focused on forest cutting for snow retention, early successional habitat, and trailside aesthetics. Work also continued on a cooperative project with MassWildlife to clear 50 acres of hedgerows. With the help of Corporate Trustee and electrician Dick DeMayo, who assisted with

wiring and alarm systems, Trustees staff completed a new workshop facility, thus allowing for the expansion of the Notchview Ski Center. With a generous gift from Frank and Louise Feigin and donations from Notchview's ski members, the new ski center now includes a

masonry heater, expanded seating, and additional restrooms. Work was completed in time to host the Bill Koch League Ski Festival, the premier youth ski event in New England. The festival capped off a very strong ski season, where anticipated income was doubled, and staff sold or renewed over 135 memberships.



Executive Director Andy Kendall, Louise and Frank Feigin, and Superintendent Jim Caffrey enjoying the new masonry heater at Notchview in Windsor.

"This is a special place. Thanks so much for preserving this land."

FROM THE TYRIN HAM COBBLE VALLEY, ROCK

WILLIAMSTOWN MANAGEMENT UNIT

Preservation work at Field Farm focused on the Ulrich Franzen-designed guest house known as the Folly. Superintendent Andy Bernardy oversaw the painting of the exterior and worked on replacing worn areas of cedar shingles and the entrance deck. Staff from Trustees Headquarters assisted in the replacement of a footbridge during a fall workday, and Field Farm Guesthouse enjoyed another record year in weekend occupancy and guest satisfaction. During the winter, Field Farm Guesthouse welcomed weekend groups for snowshoeing and winter hiking.

Regional Ecologist Don Reid continued habitat monitoring studies at Mountain Meadow Preserve, and several Williamstown Property Committee members joined Andy Bernardy to improve habitat areas. An additional 85 acres (64 in Vermont) were added to the Preserve, creating opportunities for increased passive recreation and habitat protection. ■

reservations

THROUGH MARCH 31, 2001

Date First Acquired	Acreage (approx.)
1897	Mount Ann Park, Gloucester 87
1897	Rocky Narrows, Sherborn 227
1898	Governor Hutchinson's Field, Milton 10
1899	Monument Mountain, Great Barrington 503
1905	Petticoat Hill, Williamsburg 60
1927	The William Cullen Bryant Homestead, Cummington 195
1929	Chesterfield Gorge, Chesterfield 166
1933	Whitney and Thayer Woods (including Turkey Hill) Cohasset and Hingham 824
1934	Medfield Rhododendrons, Medfield 196
1934	Halibut Point Reservation, Rockport 12
1935	Dinosaur Footprints, Holyoke 8
1935	Misery Islands, Salem Sound 87
1936	Pine and Hemlock Knoll, Wenham 14
1939	The Old Manse, Concord 9
1940	Ward Reservation, Andover and North Andover 694.5
1941	Elliott Laurel, Phillipston 33
1942	Rocky Woods, Medfield 491
1942	Lowell Holly, Mashpee and Sandwich 135
1944	Holmes Reservation, Plymouth 26
1945	Crane Beach, Ipswich 1,234
1946	Bartholomew's Cobble, Sheffield 329
1948	The Mission House, Stockbridge .5
1949	Castle Hill, Ipswich 165
1951	Royalston Falls, Royalston 205
1952	Old Town Hill, Newbury 509
1952	Redemption Rock, Princeton .25
1955	Crowninshield Island, Marblehead 5
1956	Pegan Hill, Dover and Natick 32
1957	Agassiz Rock, Manchester-by-the-Sea 101
1957	Pierce Reservation, Milton 4
1959	Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge, Martha's Vineyard 516
1959	Doane's Falls, Royalston 46
1959	Mashpee River Reservation, Mashpee 248
1959	Naumkeag, Stockbridge 46
1959	Noon Hill, Medfield 204
1960	Charles River Peninsula, Needham 30
1962	The Stevens-Coolidge Place, North Andover 91
1962	Tantiusques, Sturbridge 55
1963	Tyringham Cobble, Tyringham 206
1964	Chapelbrook, Ashfield 173
1964	Glendale Falls, Middlefield 60
1965	Notchview, Windsor 3,108
1966	Menemsha Hills, Martha's Vineyard 211
1966	Fork Factory Brook, Medfield 135
1967	World's End, Hingham 251
1967	Wasque, Martha's Vineyard 200
1968	Bear's Den, New Salem 6
1968	Bear Swamp, Ashfield 284.5
1968	Weir Hill, North Andover 194
1968	Medfield Meadow Lots, Medfield 16
1970	Shattuck Reservation, Medfield 245

Date First Acquired	Acreage (approx.)
1970	Norris Reservation, Norwell 129
1970	Appleton Farms Grass Rides, Hamilton 259
1972	The Col. John Ashley House, Sheffield 1
1974	Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket 1,117
1974	Bridge Island Meadows, Medfield 80
1974	Crane Wildlife Refuge, Ipswich and Essex 697
1975	Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham 558
1975	Jacobs Hill, Royalston 173
1975	Greenwood Farm, Ipswich 216
1975	North Common Meadow, Petersham 25
1976	Mytoi, Martha's Vineyard 14
1977	McLennan Reservation, Otis and Tyringham 491
1979	Long Hill, Beverly 114
1979	Long Point Wildlife Refuge, Martha's Vineyard 632
1981	Doyle Reservation, Leominster 49
1982	Stavros Reservation, Essex 74
1983	Swift River Reservation, Petersham 439
1984	Noanet Woodlands, Dover 695
1984	Field Farm, Williamstown 316
1986	Goose Pond, Lee 112
1988	Peters Reservation, Dover 97
1990	Coolidge Reservation, Manchester-by-the-Sea 64
1991	The Eleanor Cabot Bradley Estate, Canton 90
1993	Hamlin Reservation, Ipswich 135
1993	Ravenswood Park, Gloucester 500
1993	Rock House Reservation, West Brookfield 75
1993	Chase Woodlands, Dover 85
1993	Two Mile Reservation, Marshfield 68
1996	Questing, New Marlborough 438
1996	Ashintully Gardens, Tyringham 103
1998	Malcolm Preserve, Carlisle 11
1998	Appleton Farms, Hamilton and Ipswich 658
1998	Mountain Meadow Preserve, Williamstown 176
1999	Weir River Farm, Hingham 75
1999	Peaked Mountain, Monson 296
1999	Dexter Drumlin, Lancaster 38
2000	Slocum's River Reserve, Dartmouth 47
2000	Dry Hill, New Marlborough 206

Total Reservations 89
Total Acres Protected 22,041*

* Does not include property owned by The Trustees of Reservations but not part of a reservation: 5 acres in Nantucket; 32 acres in Gloucester; and 48 acres in Stockbridge. In addition, the Massachusetts Land Conservation Trust (MLCT), a legally separate charitable corporation with a board of directors appointed by The Trustees, currently owns 11 acres in North Andover, 69 acres in Tyngsborough, and 1/3 interest in the Holbrook Property in Rutland.

governing board

THROUGH MARCH 31, 2001

OFFICERS

The Officers are elected annually by the Corporate Trustees and serve as voting members of the Standing Committee ex-officio.

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Janice Hunt, *President*

Franz Colloredo-Mansfeld,
Vice President

Henry S. Reeder, *Vice President*

Mary Waters Shepley, *Vice President*

F. Sydney Smithers IV, *Secretary*

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Mr. and Mrs. Burgess P. Standley
- ◆ Mrs. Donald C. Starr
Herbert R. Stenberg†
Patricia P. Storey
- ◆ Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Vaughan
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Ralph B. Vogel
Ralph B. Vogel II
- ◆ Pamela B. Weatherbee
Gail E. Whelan†
Constance V. R. White
- ◆ Hope W. Wigglesworth
Doris Wilson
- ◆ Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Winthrop
Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Wyman
Anonymous (19)

◆ Founding Members

◆ New Member

† Deceased

bequests, gifts from trusts, and remainder interests



In the past year The Trustees received the following gifts from trusts, realized bequests, and remainder interests from life income gifts. We are grateful to these individuals for their generous support through a planned gift.

ANONYMOUS

Unrestricted Endowment

ESTATE OF DOROTHY ABBE

Endowment for World's End,
Whitney and Thayer Woods

ESTATE OF MARY MURRAY BROWN

Endowment for Chappaquiddick Properties

DOROTHY D. CONKEY TRUST

Endowment for Bartholomew's Cobble

CORNELIUS CRANE 1955 TRUST

Restoration of the Casino Complex
at Castle Hill

ESTATE OF NATHANIEL T. DEXTER

Bequest of Dexter Drumlin
with endowment

MARGARET C. DUMAS TRUST

Unrestricted Endowment

ELAINE FOSTER FAMILY CHARITABLE LEAD ANNUITY TRUST

Endowment for North Shore Properties

ESTATE OF LAWSON K. HILL

Unrestricted Endowment

ESTATE OF HENRIETTA LOCKWOOD

Endowment for Sedgwick Gardens
at Long Hill

ESTATE OF CHARLES E. MASON, JR.

Unrestricted Endowment

ESTATE OF JOHN ROGERS PERKINS

Endowment for Mytoi

ESTATE OF HERBERT R. STENBERG

Herbert Stenberg Fund for
Conservation and Stewardship

Henrietta Lockwood's thoughtful bequest and previous gift to the pooled income fund have created a new endowment for the Sedgwick Gardens at Long Hill in Beverly.



Herbert Stenberg's generous bequest was used to create an endowment for land conservation and stewardship in southeastern Massachusetts. He is pictured here with former Director of Planned Giving Eloise Hodges.

sempervirens profile



Doug and Marion
Leach at Tyringham
Cobble.

A GOOD THING TO DO

For thirty years, Corporate Trustees Marion and Doug Leach have savored their view of Tyringham Cobble and served as informal caretakers of this 206-acre Berkshire property. A neighbor and good friend first inspired their interest in The Trustees by encouraging them to collect dead wood and clear brush from the reservation. Over the years, these active member volunteers have lovingly tended this landscape, clearing trails, mending fences, and greeting the property's many visitors.

Through their almost daily walks at Tyringham Cobble, and their long association with The Trustees, Marion and Doug have come to appreciate our work protecting and preserving the scenic beauty of western Massachusetts, where attractive landscapes face increasing threat from development. "Someday," says Doug, "the people at this end of the state are going to wake up and see what's happening around them."

Doug and Marion decided not to wait themselves. To aid The Trustees' land protection and stewardship efforts in the region, the Leaches recently donated an income-producing house to a charitable remainder unitrust. This rental property, which they owned for many years, had become an increasing burden at a time when they wished to simplify their lives.

Marion and Doug transferred the house to the unitrust, avoiding capital gains taxes on its appreciated value. The property was subsequently sold, and proceeds from the sale have been invested to generate income. The arrangement frees them of a responsibility, provides secure, increased income for life, and enables them to make a very generous gift to The Trustees. As Doug says, "It was a good thing to do."

To learn how you can receive increased income and reduce capital gains and estate taxes, while making a substantial contribution to The Trustees, please contact:

Sarah M. Carothers
DIRECTOR OF PLANNED GIVING

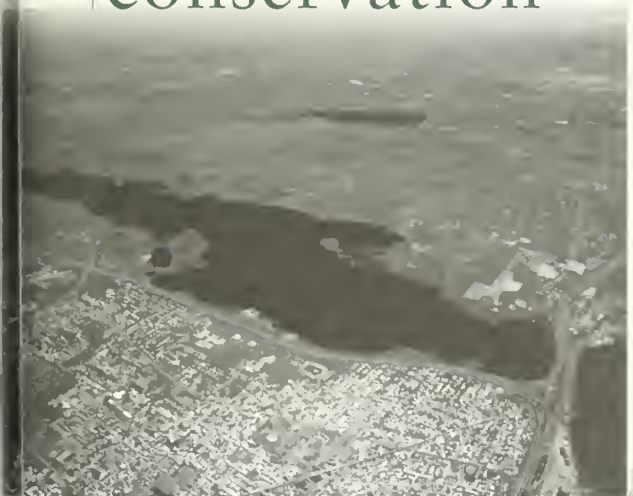
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land conservation



For the Land Conservation Center, the past year marked the adoption by the Standing Committee of the *Land Protection Action Plan*. The *Action Plan* was based upon *Conserving Our Commonwealth: A Vision for the Massachusetts Landscape*, which was completed in 1999. The land conservation results for fiscal 2001 confirm the value of a planning process that called for an expanded and more aggressive land conservation program.

During fiscal year 2001, the Land Conservation Center completed or assisted in 23 transactions, protecting a total of 4,593 acres. This total is substantially greater than the 1,500 acre annual average set as a target by the *Action Plan*. During the year, the following acquisitions were completed:

- three new reservations (291 acres);
- one remainder interest in a future reservation (82 acres, not counted toward the total because the property has been previously counted as a completed conservation restriction);
- seven additions to reservations (288 acres);
- five conservation restrictions (159 acres);
- six projects carried out by our affiliate, the Massachusetts Land Conservation Trust (MLCT), (1,055 acres); and
- a major project (2,800 acres in Fall River) assisting the Commonwealth in the establishment of the Southeastern Massachusetts Bioreserve (*pictured above*).

This extraordinarily productive year is testimony to the vision of Al Creighton, Chairman of the Chairman's Council and recipient of The Trustees' Charles Eliot Award, who strongly supported *Conserving Our Commonwealth* and the *Action Plan* and who continues to inspire the work of the Land Conservation Center.

conservation count

LAND OWNED	89 reservations	ACREAGE PROTECTED
		22,041
LAND UNDER CR	195 parcels	12,833
ASSISTS	60 projects	9,187
(as of 3/31/01)		TOTAL 44,038

THE TRUSTEES OF RESERVATIONS

SLOCUM'S RIVER RESERVE,

DARTMOUTH

Continuing a project initiated in 1998, The Trustees and its partner, Dartmouth Natural Resources Trust (DNRT), established this 47-acre property on the shore of Slocum's River, restored and enhanced the landscape, and opened it to visitors under joint management by the two organizations. The property offers sweeping views of the river and adjacent marshland and farm fields.

new reservations



DNRT President Katherine White welcomes more than 200 people to the opening of Slocum's River Reserve in Dartmouth.

DEXTER DRUMLIN, LANCASTER

Nathaniel Dexter bequeathed to The Trustees a unique 38-acre property that encompasses a classic glacial drumlin. Local residents have long appreciated the property as a place to walk, fly kites, and sled in the winter. The drumlin offers panoramic views of the town and the Nashua River Valley.

DRY HILL, NEW MARLBOROUGH

Enabled by the generous support of several neighbors and friends, The Trustees purchased 166 acres of forested upland on North and Harmon Roads. Former owners Sydney and Jeanne Weinstein also generously donated two nearby tracts, totaling 40 acres, including cliffs with dramatic views to the west, and a conservation restriction protecting a critical stretch of road frontage. The property is contiguous with more than 2,200 acres preserved in New Marlborough in recent years.

future reservation

FARANDNEAR, SHIRLEY

Professor Arthur S. Banks gave a remainder interest in his 82-acre property in Shirley, reserving a life estate for himself. The property is a critically important link in an emerging greenway from historic Shirley Center to Shirley Village and contains extensive wetlands, natural springs, a cranberry bog, and a stretch of Spruce Swamp Brook, as well as a collection of pine trees from around the world. In 1995, Prof. Banks gave a conservation restriction on most of this property to The Trustees.

additions to reservations



Old Town Hill,
Newbury.

NORTHEAST REGION

OLD TOWN HILL, NEWBURY

An anonymous donor conveyed a highly visible 23-acre parcel to The Trustees as an addition to Old Town Hill. Located at the intersection of Route 1 and Boston Road, the property offers an opportunity

to attract travelers from busy Route 1 and to provide an introduction to the extensive network of protected land in the vicinity. The property includes wooded upland and vernal pools and abuts extensive salt marshes and uplands owned by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife.

CRANE WILDLIFE REFUGE, ESSEX AND IPSWICH

Approximately ten acres of marshland between Pine Island (*pictured below*) and the upland on the southeasterly side of Argilla Road in Ipswich were donated by the Keddah Trust, representing Lawrence Eliot, Carolyn E. Hitchcock, John Eliot, and Charles W. Eliot III, the children of Charles Eliot II. This donation completes the series of cooperative family conveyances and transactions that also enabled The Trustees to purchase adjacent Pine Island from John and Sylvia Eliot with funds provided by generous donors.

Pine Island is a seven-acre drumlin located in the Castle Neck Estuary and highly visible from Argilla Road and Castle Hill.



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CENTRAL REGION

PEAKED MOUNTAIN, MONSON

MLCT traded five acres of a 122-acre parcel to a private landowner in exchange for 26 acres near Lunden-Miller Pond at the foot of Peaked Mountain. With financial assistance from the Commonwealth's Self-Help Program, the Monson Conservation Commission then bought the pond parcel from MLCT in addition to a conservation restriction on the remaining 117 acres, which were then conveyed to The Trustees to be incorporated into the reservation at Peaked Mountain. This process, anticipated as a key part of the financial plan for the property in 1999, was an important step in the creation of the reservation.

SOUTHEAST REGION

NORRIS RESERVATION, NORWELL

Twelve acres featuring a highly scenic pond, glacial eskers, and vernal pools were added to Norris Reservation by the gift of Ralph and Betsy Gordon of Norwell. A new trail around the pond—including a picturesque footbridge and wetland boardwalk—is to open in fall 2001. A generous challenge grant from the Fields Pond Foundation and gifts from many private donors enabled the trail construction.

WESTERN REGION

BARTHOLOMEW'S COBBLE, SHEFFIELD

Mrs. Ann Grumpelt of Salisbury, Connecticut, generously donated a scenic 36-acre parcel on Cooper Hill near Bartholomew's Cobble. The property includes pasture, an old field, woodland, and wetland habitats, and serves as a staging area for grassland birds fledged from the Cobble's fields.

"We had a wonderful time exploring Doane's Falls, Royalston Falls, and Jacobs Hill this past June. Thanks so much for saving them."

MOUNTAIN MEADOW PRESERVE, WILLIAMSTOWN, MA AND POWNAL, VT

In December, with help from a generous Williams-town friend and a bargain sale from owner Dr. James FitzGerald, The Trustees purchased an 85-acre tract of woodland straddling the state line on Mason Hill adjacent to Mountain Meadow Preserve. The property sits high above the Hoosic River Valley, with stunning views to the south of Mount Greylock and the Taconics.

conservation restrictions (crs)



NORTHEAST REGION

HOLT FARM, ANDOVER

A 4-acre conservation and preservation restriction was donated by John W. Kimball. It ensures the protection of the archaeological, historical, scenic, and environmental resources of Holt Farm, circa 1715 (pictured above), which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The property is adjacent to the Ward Reservation and is part of the original estate of Mabel Ward, donor of the reservation and grandmother of John Kimball.

SOUTHEAST REGION

HICKS PROPERTY, WESTPORT

Thanks to a gift from Robert and Donna Brayton, The Trustees and the Westport Land Conservation Trust now hold a conservation restriction on 22 acres of the historic Hicks Property in Westport. The Braytons previously preserved an adjacent 48-acre property through The Trustees in 1984.

Together with a 38-acre tract preserved by their neighbors, Alain and Phoebe Chardon, in 1998, these three represent over 100 contiguous acres of conserved scenic landscape along Dunham Brook and the Westport River. The land comprises important wildlife habitat and provides water quality protection for this biologically diverse and productive estuary.

PERKINS PROPERTY, SHARON AND FOXBOROUGH (2)

Forty-five acres of scenic woodland on the Sharon/Foxborough town line were protected during this fiscal year. As reported in last year's Annual Report, Philip and Laurie Perkins donated woods in the Canoe River Aquifer Area of Critical Environmental Concern to MLCT. After donating CRs to The Trustees, MLCT conveyed the land to the respective town Conservation Commissions.

CENTRAL REGION

PEAKED MOUNTAIN, MONSON

As the final step in the round of real estate transactions that led to the protection of 1,000 acres on and near Peaked Mountain by The Trustees and its partners, the Norcross Wildlife Foundation and the Town of Monson, the Town donated a conservation restriction to The Trustees on the new, 88-acre Temple Brook Conservation Area.



Volunteers celebrate a job well done on top of Peaked Mountain during Conservation Works!, our annual statewide work day.

MASSACHUSETTS LAND CONSERVATION TRUST

Organized in 1972, The Massachusetts Land Conservation Trust (MLCT) is an affiliate of The Trustees. Its purpose is to assist the parent organization and its partners with a variety of conservation-related real estate transactions. MLCT's Directors are appointed by the Standing Committee of The Trustees.

acquisitions

BURES PROPERTY, NEW BRAINTREE

A very generous gift by a New Braintree family enabled MLCT to purchase the 127-acre Bures property, which had been threatened with development. The property includes more than 50 acres of open fields and extensive frontage on three roads leading to the center of town, and its protection is a key step in preserving the rural heritage of this Worcester County farming community. MLCT plans to sell an Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) to the Commonwealth while continuing to lease the property to a Ware dairy farmer.

assists



Westport Rivers
Winery and
Vineyard.

RUSSELL PROPERTY, WESTPORT

The Trustees' long-standing partnership with the Westport Land Conservation Trust led to the protection of 214 acres of productive farmland and scenic open space along the East Branch of the Westport River. Thanks to a successful local fundraising effort, an APR was purchased on 95 acres of the Westport Rivers Winery and

Vineyard. Owners Bob and Carol Russell donated an APR on approximately 119 additional acres of farmland surrounding their nearby micro-brewery, Buzzards Bay Brewing, Inc. The APRs have since been conveyed to the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture.

POMERLEAU PROPERTY, DRACUT, MA AND PELHAM, NH

MLCT purchased the 55-acre Pomerleau property, which had been under lease by Dracut dairyman Warren Shaw. In July of 2001, MLCT completed a three-way transaction with the Commonwealth and Mr. Shaw, with the result that both the Pomerleau Property and 54 acres of Mr. Shaw's home farm were protected by an Agricultural Preservation Restriction held by the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture, and Shaw Farm Dairy acquired the restricted Pomerleau land. The project would not have been possible without a very generous bargain sale by Mr. Shaw of the APR on his home farm.

HOLLOW BROOK FARM, BRIMFIELD

At the request of the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture, MLCT "pre-acquired" an APR from owners Ron and Linda Weston on this 77-acre diversified Christmas tree farm along Hollow Brook, adjacent to Brimfield State Forest. Funds for the purchase were provided by a generous interest-free loan from the Norcross Wildlife Foundation, which was repaid later in the year following MLCT's resale of the APR to the state.

KELLY ORCHARD, SHEFFIELD AND NEW MARLBOROUGH

In partnership with the Sheffield Land Trust, MLCT completed an APR option-and-loan package with the Kelly family at the end of December that secured this 310-acre orchard, farm, and woodland property on the Sheffield/New Marlborough town line adjacent to extensive state conservation holdings pending the state's payment for the APR. The property was permanently protected later in 2001, when MLCT exercised the option, acquired the APR, and assigned it to the Commonwealth.

DESTRUCTION BROOK WOODS, DARTMOUTH

In partnership with Dartmouth Natural Resources Trust (DNRT), MLCT acquired the 303-acre Destruction Brook Woods property. The purchase was the final phase in the Slocum's River Conservation Project, which has preserved 1,059 acres over the past three years. DNRT will own and manage the property, which has extensive trails and carriage paths. The Trustees will co-hold a conservation restriction with the Town of Dartmouth.

OTHER INITIATIVES



THE SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS BIORESERVE

The Trustees joined the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management, Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, and the City of Fall River as the nonprofit conservation partner in the establishment of the state's first designated bioreserve. A "bioreserve" is a special category of protected land, managed to conserve biodiversity and to balance human activities with the long-term health of the natural resources. Located in Fall River, Freetown, and Dartmouth, within 10 miles of more than 400,000 people, the 13,600-acre, mostly forested Bioreserve represents a unique assemblage of public and private land that includes nonprofit conservation land, city watershed resources, and state wildlife areas and forest. Fall River has two large reservoirs associated with the Bioreserve (*the Copicut Reservoir is pictured above*). They also contribute to the

ecological and scenic significance of the Bioreserve, which encompasses a mosaic of diverse natural communities.

The Trustees has agreed to purchase for \$2 million a 508-acre reservation within the former 3,800-acre Acushnet Saw Mills property at the core of the Bioreserve. We have agreed to raise another \$2 million for endowment and start-up expenses, construction of a visitor center that will serve as a gateway facility to the Bioreserve, and support for an educational program to serve surrounding communities. Our participation has been important in bringing city and state officials together and raising the confidence of each in working through the myriad details of an intricate, precedent-setting project.

THE WATERSHED CAMPAIGN: SAVING THE LANDS OF BUZZARDS BAY

Discussions about the Bioreserve project with the Coalition for Buzzards Bay have led to an ambitious, collaborative effort to protect critically important properties in the 420-square-mile Buzzards Bay Watershed and to build capacity for land conservation at the local and regional levels. In January 2001, The Trustees and the Coalition for Buzzards Bay signed a Memorandum of Understanding that defines the structure of this collaboration. We intend to enlist the participation of ten local and regional land trusts in a land protection and fundraising effort.

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

The Trustees received funding from the Wyomissing Foundation of Pennsylvania for the first year of a multi-year program to promote land conservation and community preservation in the rural hilltowns of Western Massachusetts. An assessment of the resources and challenges this region offers has been a major focus of the first year, as well as improving communications among municipal boards and land trusts and providing project support through a small grants program.



ANNUAL MASSACHUSETTS LAND TRUST CONFERENCE

Held for the second time at the Bancroft School in Worcester, the 12th annual conference attracted more than 300 participants. Workshops covered a wide range of subjects from ecological initiatives to tax advantages of conservation. For the first time, the program included an optional field trip, in this case to a property owned and managed by the Greater Worcester Land Trust. This event continues to be a major highlight for The Trustees and the Massachusetts Land Trust Coalition.

conservation restrictions

THROUGH MARCH 31, 2001

Date First Acquired		Acreage (approx.)	Date First Acquired		Acreage (approx.)
1972	Charles River, Sherborn (5)	135	1991	Charles River, Dover	8
1973	Longacre Farm, Medfield		1992	Upland Farm, Cummington	32
1973	Prospect Hill, Chilmark		1992	Maple Hill Farm, Hardwick	181
1973	Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham (8)	23	1992	Thornhill Farm, Essex (2)	101
1973	Castle Neck River, Ipswich and Essex (16)		1992	Wenakeening Woods, Holliston (2)	102
1974	Lake Waban, Wellesley and Natick (10)	149	1993	Chase Woodlands, Dover	10
1974	Mayhew Island, Chilmark	7	1994	Apple Knoll Farm, Millis	268
1975	Charles River, Dedham and Westwood (3)	156	1994	North Road, Chilmark	53
1975	East Hollyholm, Chilmark	75	1994	Osamequin Farm, Seekonk and Rehoboth	241
1975	Seven Gates Farm, Chilmark and West Tisbury (7)	1,257	1994	New Marlborough Village, New Marlborough	24
1975	Trout Brook, Dover (2)	118	1994	Pakeen Farm, Canton	145
1976	Bothways Farm, Essex	99	1994	Broad Meadows, Stockbridge	48
1976	Charles River, Millis and Medfield (2)	29	1995	Lake Cochituate, North Andover	30
1976	Ipswich River, Ipswich (2)	15	1995	McLennan, Tyringham (2)	8
1976	Nashawena Island, Gosnold	1,900	1995	Farandnear, Shirley	81
1976	Tiah's Cove, West Tisbury	65	1997	Estabrook Woods, Concord and Carlisle (6)	364
1977	Rockhouse, West Brookfield		1997	Potash Brook, Williamsburg	66
1977	Tuckernuck Island, Nantucket (6)	298	1997	Smith's Creek, Barnstable	17
1977	Noanet Brook Woods, Dover	15	1997	Cape Poge, Edgartown	4
1978	Bogastow Farm, Millis	85	1997	Stannox Farm, Sherborn	108
1978	Cape Ann Golf Course, Essex	100	1997	Turkey Hill, Hingham and Cohasset (2)	50
1979	Stevens Field, North Andover	11	1998	Brooks Estate, Medford	50
1979	Charles River, Wellesley (3)	31	1998	Sherburne Property, Tyngsborough	79
1980	Holly Hill Farm, Cohasset (2)	119	1998	Spring Street Farm, Millis	67
1980	North River, Norwell and Marshfield (3)	177	1998	Strawberry Hill Farm, Dover	23
1980	Parkinson Property, Medfield	82	1999	Mineway Brook, Sudbury	41
1980	Halibut Point, Rockport	13	1999	Old Town Hill, Newbury	5
1981	East Branch, Westport River, Westport (3)	40	1999	Essex County Greenbelt, Gloucester (2)	347
1983	Wauwinet, Nantucket	12	1999	Shurcliff Property, Ipswich	6
1984	Menemsha Hills, Chilmark (5)	74	1999	Macleod Property, Medfield	45
1984	John Wise Avenue, Essex (APR)	70	1999	Clark Property, Edgartown	17
1984	Charles River, Needham (4)	56	1999	Center Road, Shirley	6
1985	Mill Farm, Dover	40	1999	Hale Property, Swansea	45
1985	Mattapoisett Harbor, Mattapoisett	42	1999	Coles Island Road, Gloucester	153
1985	Clark Farm, Sunderland (APR-3)	80	1999	Waldo Property, Dartmouth	4
1986	Bartholomew's Cobble, Salisbury, CT (3)	539	1999	Blake Property, Dover	25
1986	Great Island, Yarmouth (2)	266	1999	Stelmokas Farm, Barre	221
1986	Monument Mountain, Great Barrington	20	2000	Hicks Property, Westport	22
1988	Nashaquitsa, Chilmark	75	2000	Perkins Property, Sharon and Foxborough (2)	45
1988	North Road, Monterey/ New Marlborough (7) (CR/HPR)	2,396	2000	Peaked Mountain, Monson	88
1988	Capt. Daniel Bradford House, Duxbury (HPR)	8	2000	Holt Farm, Andover	4
1988	Rattlesnake Hill, Bolton (5)	152			
1989	Manchester Coast, Manchester (3)	63			
1989	Palmer River, Rehoboth (2)	110			
1989	Weweantic River, Marion (2)	10			
1989	Blue Hills Reservation, Milton (2)	67			
1989	Wilder Farm, Bolton (2)	33			
1990	Turner Hill, Ipswich	102			
1990	Wigwam Hill, West Brookfield	63			
1991	West Branch, Westport River, Westport (7)	146			
1991	Moraine Farm, Beverly (CR/HPR)	176			
			Total Conservation Restrictions		
			Total Acres Protected (Approximately)		
			195		
			12,833		
			APR - Agricultural Preservation Restriction		
			CR - Conservation Restriction		
			HPR - Historic Preservation Restriction		
			NOTE: Number of perpetual restrictions is shown in parentheses () if greater than one, beginning with the date of first acquisition. Parcels of land where no acreage is listed have been added to existing reservations and are reflected in the Conservation Count on page 35.		

APR - Agricultural Preservation Restriction
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assistance projects

THROUGH MARCH 31, 2001

Date		Acreage (approx.)
1892	Virginia Wood, Middlesex Falls	20
1894	Goodwill Park, Falmouth	70
1902	Pine Knoll, Sheffield	6
1908	Goodwill Park, Falmouth	10
1935	Coes Pond, Worcester	7
1935	Gore Place, Waltham and Watertown	80
1954	Chesterwood, Stockbridge	18
1955	Chesterwood, Stockbridge	50
1958	Pierce House, Milton	6
1964	Pamet Property, Truro	20
1980	Halibut Point, Rockport	52
1981	Streeter Property, Cummington	113
1981	Highman Property, Holliston	148
1981	Wade's Farm, Bellingham	97
1982	Raposa Farm, North Dartmouth	128
1982	Caruso Farm, Sudbury	25
1982	Garber Property, Sudbury	84
1983	Barton Property, Sudbury	81
1983	Oak Grove Farm, Chilmark	103
1983	Verrill I Property, Concord	14
1983	Sperry Property, Sudbury	12
1983	FmHA, Sudbury	37
1983	Property, Cummington	137
1983	Property, Cummington	292
1984	McConvill Farm, Dartmouth	146
1984	Weld Property, Essex	13
1985	Property, Harvard	34
1985	Colby Property, Newbury	52
1985	Powisset Farm, Dover	130
1985	Property, Mashpee	250
1986	Reid Orchard, Westford (MLCT)	65
1986	Hayes Property, Harvard (MLCT)	70
1987	Laskoski Property, Sunderland (MLCT)	8
1987	Hester Property, Deerfield (MLCT)	96
1987	Paul Property, Worthington	98
1988	Cape Poge, Chappaquiddick	5
1988	Wylde Farm, Williamstown	105
1988	Ellisville Harbor, Plymouth (MLCT)	152
1990	Ayer Property, Ipswich	3
1990	Barmack Property, Canton	4
1990	Savoia Property, Bellingham	12
1990	Mashpee River Woodlands, Mashpee	21
1991	MFCLT sale	5
1991	Alexander Property, Warwick	806
1993	Upland Farm, Cummington	48
1993	Upland Farm, Cummington	161
1995	Pippen Tree Farm, Concord	72
1995	Cowell Farm, Cummington (MLCT)	137
1996	Renfrew Property, Sunderland (MLCT)	5
1997	Willowbrook & Fleetwood Farms, Pembroke	93
1997	Harvard property, Concord	672
1998	Dupree Property, Ashfield	13

Date		Acreage (approx.)
1998	Cook Farm, Hunting Hill-Lunenburg and Shirley	84
2000	Pomerleau Property, Dracut and Pelham, NH	55
2000	Hollow Brook Farm, Brimfield (MLCT)	77
2000	Bures Farm, New Braintree (MLCT)	127
2000	Dartmoor Farm, Dartmouth (MLCT)	641
2000	Kelly Orchard, Sheffield and New Marlborough (MLCT)	310
2000	Southeastern Mass Bioreserve	2800
2000	Russell Property, Westport (MLCT)	206

Total Acres Protected (Approximately) 9,286

(MLCT) indicates that the Massachusetts Land Conservation Trust, a legally separate charitable corporation with a board of directors appointed by The Trustees, was responsible for the assist.

"The time is
coming when
it will be hard
to find within a
day's journey of
our large cities a
single spot capable of stirring the
soul of man to speak in poetry."



CHARLES ELLIOT (1859-1897)
FOUNDER OF THE TRUSTEES OF RESERVATION

financial report

APRIL 1, 2000 - MARCH 31, 2001

The fiscal year that ended March 31, 2001 was successful by all measures despite the challenges presented by inclement weather throughout our properties' peak summer visitation period. The year ended with an \$880,000 net surplus from operations, more than double the amount budgeted, as a result of continued growth in contributions and membership.

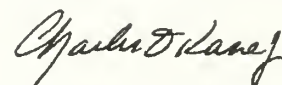
Operating revenues grew by 11% to \$11.5 million, while operating expenses were up 15% to \$10.6 million. Contributions increased 20% to \$1.9 million, largely due to the ongoing generosity of the members of *The Charles Eliot Society* and *The 1891 Society*. In addition, the newer giving societies, *The Conservation Council* and *The Great Point Circle*, together generated over \$100,000 in contributions. Membership revenues grew to \$1.8 million, an 11% increase, in spite of the decline in visitation at some of our properties. Our new Director of Membership initiated

several programs to increase membership that sustained the positive trend of the past several years. As mentioned above, poor summer weather threatened to stall the growth in revenues from our properties, but we ended the year up 9%, primarily due to new activities, such as the Inn at Castle Hill.

The \$1.4 million increase in operating expenses was substantially directed toward expanded program services. Operating costs associated with the Inn at Castle Hill, along with several new staff positions and higher seasonal wage levels, account for most of the increase in field operations expense. Land conservation efforts grew dramatically due to the additional staff hired to pursue the objectives outlined in the *Land Protection Action Plan*. Satellite offices were opened in the Connecticut River Valley and Buzzards Bay to focus on the conservation opportunities in those regions. Development and Communications & Marketing expenditures increased 12% and 16% respectively, to provide the additional support needed for the expanded program services.

Operating support from endowment investments remained the largest source of revenues, providing \$4.1 million, or 36% of total revenues. The total return on endowment funds was approximately 4% for the year ended March 31, 2001, which compares favorably to our investment managers' benchmark indices.

The financial goals of The Trustees of Reservations continue to be to support the organization's work and provide the capability to expand it in all aspects of the organization's mission. We enter Fiscal Year 2002 in sound financial condition and thankful for the generous support of our members and donors who have helped us achieve these record results.



Charles F. Kane, Jr.
Treasurer



operating results (In Thousands of Dollars)

	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2000</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	
Income				
Operating Support from Endowment	\$ 4,139	\$ 3,759	\$ 380	10%
Property & Other Revenues	3,686	3,383	303	9%
Contributions	1,891	1,576	315	20%
Membership	<u>1,772</u>	<u>1,590</u>	<u>182</u>	11%
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$ 11,488</u>	<u>\$ 10,308</u>	<u>\$ 1,180</u>	11%
Expenses				
Program Services:				
Field Operations	7,738	6,794	944	14%
Land Conservation	<u>776</u>	<u>524</u>	<u>252</u>	48%
Total Program Services	<u>8,514</u>	<u>7,318</u>	<u>1,196</u>	16%
Supporting Services:				
Development	865	772	93	12%
General & Administrative	864	814	50	6%
Communications & Marketing	<u>365</u>	<u>316</u>	<u>49</u>	16%
Total Supporting Services	<u>2,094</u>	<u>1,902</u>	<u>192</u>	10%
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>10,608</u>	<u>9,220</u>	<u>1,388</u>	15%
NET SURPLUS FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 880	\$ 1,088	\$ (208)	-19%

utilization of net surplus from operations (In Thousands of Dollars)

	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2000</u>
Deferred Maintenance Projects	\$ 603	\$ 715
Land Conservation Projects and Other Trustees 2000 Initiatives	<u>277</u>	<u>373</u>
TOTAL UTILIZATION OF NET SURPLUS FROM OPERATIONS	<u>\$ 880</u>	<u>\$ 1,088</u>

endowment market value (In Thousands of Dollars)

	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2000</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 81,591	\$ 77,007
Contributions/Other Changes, net	1,437	1,656
Net Unrealized/Realized Gains (Losses)	<u>(734)</u>	<u>2,928</u>
TOTAL ENDOWMENT	<u>\$ 82,294</u>	<u>\$ 81,591</u>

NOTE: The amounts above reflect all endowment funds (permanent and board-designated) including the Budd Trusts. Copies of the audited financial statements are available upon request.

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